

### REMARKS

Claims 1-19 were examined and reported in the Office Action. Claims 5-19 are withdrawn from consideration. Claims 1 and 2 are rejected. Claims 1 and 4 are amended. Claim 2 is cancelled. Claims 1, 3 and 4 remain.

Applicant requests reconsideration of the application in view of the following remarks.

Applicant affirms the provisional election made by telephone on June 13, 2003. The traverse is hereby withdrawn.

In response to the rejection of Claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Ashworth et al., Applicant has cancelled claim 2 and incorporated its limitations into claim 1. In this connection, it is noted that there are no art rejections of claim 2. As to the rejection of claim 2 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, Applicant has removed the objected to term "a carbonyl group." Applicant notes that although claim 4 is allowed, Applicant has amended claim 4 to delete "a carbonyl group."

### CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing Amendment and Response, it is submitted that the claims pending for examination, namely claims 1, 3 and 4 are now in condition for allowance, which early action is requested. If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge those fees to our Deposit Account No. 02-2666. If a telephone interview would expedite the prosecution of this Application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (310) 207-3800.

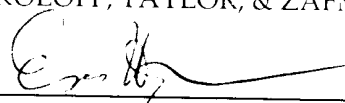
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